

REMARKS

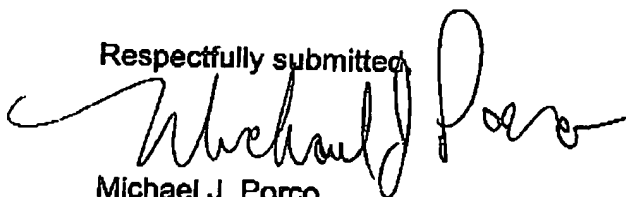
Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

This application has been reviewed in light of the interview conducted by Examiner Patel on March 24, 2005. Claims 1-12 and 23-34 are currently pending in the application. Claims 13-22 have been cancelled and claims 25-34 have been added. It is gratefully acknowledged that during the interview the Examiner indicated that Claims 1-12 and 23 are directed to allowable subject matter.

The courtesies extended by Examiner Patel during the interview conducted on March 24, 2005 are gratefully appreciated.

In view of the preceding amendment and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that all pending claims, namely claims 1-12 and 23-34, are in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference or personal interview would facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact Applicants' attorney at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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